

63H-7-303. Committee's duties and powers.

(1) The committee shall:

(a) review and make recommendations to the board, public safety answering points, and the Legislature on:

(i) technical, administrative, fiscal, and operational issues for the implementation of unified statewide 911 emergency services;

(ii) technology and standards for the implementation of unified statewide 911 emergency services;

(iii) emerging technological upgrades;

(iv) expenditures by local public safety answering points to assure implementation of unified statewide 911 emergency services and standards of operation; and

(v) mapping systems and technology necessary to implement the unified statewide 911 emergency services;

(b) administer the program funded by the Unified Statewide 911 Emergency Service Account as provided in this part;

(c) administer the program funded by the Computer Aided Dispatch Restricted Account created in Section 63H-7-310;

(d) assist as many local entities as possible, at their request, to implement the recommendations of the committee; and

(e) fulfill all other duties imposed on the committee by the Legislature by this part.

(2) The committee may recommend to the board to sell, lease, or otherwise dispose of equipment or personal property purchased, leased, or belonging to the board that is related to:

(a) unified statewide 911 emergency service;

(b) the computer aided dispatch system; or

(c) funds expended from the restricted account created in Sections 69-2-5.5 and 69-2-5.6, the proceeds from which shall return to the respective restricted accounts.

(3) The committee may make recommendations to the board to own, operate, or enter into contracts for unified statewide 911 emergency services and a computer aided dispatch system.

(4) (a) The committee shall review information regarding:

(i) in aggregate, the number of service subscribers by service type in a political subdivision;

(ii) 911 delivery network costs;

(iii) public safety answering point costs;

(iv) system engineering information; and

(v) a computer aided dispatch system.

(b) In accordance with Subsection (4)(a) the committee may request:

(i) information as described in Subsection (4)(a)(i) from the Utah State Tax Commission; and

(ii) information from public safety answering points connected to the computer aided dispatch system.

(c) The information requested by and provided to the committee under

Subsection (4) is a protected record in accordance with Section 63G-2-305.

(5) The committee shall make rules in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, to administer the program funded by the restricted account created in Section 63H-7-304 including rules that establish the criteria, standards, technology, and equipment that a local entity or state agency must adopt in order to qualify for funds from the restricted account.

(6) The committee shall make rules in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, to administer the restricted account created in Section 63H-7-310, including rules that establish the criteria, standards, technology, and equipment that a local entity or state agency must adopt in order to qualify as a recipient of a computer aided dispatch system.

(7) The committee may employ an outside consultant to:

(a) study and advise on the issue of public safety answering points; and

(b) advise the committee regarding:

(i) public safety communications and other issues regarding unified state 911 emergency services;

(ii) computer aided dispatch system consolidation; and

(iii) consolidation of public safety answering points by county or region.

(8) This section does not expand the authority of the Utah State Tax Commission to request additional information from a telecommunication service provider.

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